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The Weather

ARKANSAS — Rain and colder Wednesday night.

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## Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor  
ALEX. H. WASHBURN

Crystal-Gazers of 1942  
But Oracles Are Idle Fellows

I see where another editor like your correspondent has been plagued with mail offers of "confidential weekly letters" offering to tell him everything that's going to happen months in advance in Washington and New York. Always I have resisted the temptation to subscribe, yet was curious about how I would feel if I succumbed to it. Here's a paragraph from one who did:

## U. S. Army Chief in London for War Conference

LONDON — (P)—The U. S. Army chief of Staff General George C. Marshall and Harry Hopkins, chairman of the British-American Munitions Assignment Boards arrived in London Wednesday for talks with Britain's leaders presumably on grand strategy of the 1942 United Nations campaign.

It was announced that they would be in London for a short stay. It was understood that the party made the trip to Britain by bopper.

The arrival of General Marshall comes on the heels of reports circulated in London that the bulk of the American army is training for a mass invasion of the continent.

These reports, published in London newspapers Tuesday, said America and Britain would eventually strike together at the heart of industrial Germany through France.

Thousands of Americans already are training in northern Ireland.

It was assumed Hopkins would take part in these conferences as one of President Roosevelt's closest advisors. In his official capacity Hopkins would have the last word in military talks regarding supplies.

## Hempstead Test at 4,000 Feet

By Special Correspondent  
STAMPS — Operators drilling the Copeland No. 1 test in Hempstead county located about 2 and 1/2 miles north of the Midway field in section 32-14-24 have announced that the well would be drilled "tight," which means no information will be given out as to formation wills.

But it is known that a depth of below 4,000 feet has been reached and from now on, until past the pay level, which is encountered in the Midway field between 6,300 and 6,400 feet, the test will be watched intently by oil men, lease and royalty trad-

ers.

Pay sand has been encountered at the Burndall Oil Company's Creek No. 1 section 10-15-24 in the Midway area, north side of the field, at 6,200 feet and operators were still coring in the pay late Wednesday.

Other activities in that field include Burndall's Roberts No. 1 drilling at 6,100 feet and the Roberts No. 2 drilling at 6,300 feet. Both are in section 11-15-24. The Roberts No. 3 in section 14-15-24 was WOC after setting surface pipe at 100 feet. Gene Goff's McClain No. 1 section 14-15-24 was drilling below 3,500 feet.

One new location was announced this week for the Midway area, it is Southwood Oil Company's W. E. Hodnett No. 1 NW NW of Section 18-15-24. The test is on the east edge of the field. Roads are being constructed and it is expected that operators will begin moving in drilling equipment early next week.

Six miles south of the McKinnie field, McAlester Fuel Oil Company continued to drill at 9,760 feet at the Jeffus No. 1 wildcat in section 4-19-23. E. G. Bradham announced that his Sue Keys No. 1 test in the Buckner field was a dry hole and plans were being made to abandon. Location is in section 7-16-22.

One new test is rigging up in the McKinnie field, in Carter Oil Company's Marble Hanes No. 3 in section 36-17-24 southwest edge of the field.

## City General Vote Confirms Nominees

The offices of city clerk, attorney and four aldermen were filled Tuesday when the city general election confirmed the Democratic nominees without opposition. T. R. Billingsley was re-elected clerk, E. F. McFadden was returned for another term as city attorney, and the following were chosen aldermen: Ward One, W. E. White; Ward Two, Jesse Brown; Ward Three, Edwin Stewart; Ward Four, D. Jones.

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## Axis Thrust in Libya May Open New 1942 Drive

LONDON — (P)—Axis forces numbering 125,000 desert wise troops were reported in motion across the Libyan desert Wednesday against British lines in what may be the opening of a spring drive to conquer Egypt and smash through the Suez canal toward Russia's southern flank.

The action not yet in detail, came as the German airforce lashed with rising fury at Malta and Alexandria with fire and explosives.

The tiny island fortress and the Egyptian base of the British Mediterranean fleet—keys to dominance of the Mediterranean—each reported the worst raids of the war as Axis bombers set the stage for the first great land campaign of 1942.

At the present German Marshal Erwin Rommel commands two German armored division, one Italian, and six infantry divisions in the desert.

By contrast the British have been weakened by the dispatching of Australian veterans from North Africa to fighting under General Douglas MacArthur in defense of their homeland.

While the Axis claimed initial gains in the Libyan theater 100 miles southwest of Tobruk, the British command at Cairo said only that "our fighting patrols again were active in the Libyan desert Wednesday."

However, a military informant in London added there is some increased activity in Libya which we may hear more about.

The vanguard of the Axis army in the desert is 3 columns paced by about 100 tanks, the British informant said.

RAF headquarters at Cairo announced that British bomber and fighter planes blasted at Axis concentrations deep behind the lines.

At Alexandria the RAF downed two Axis raiders Tuesday night.

If the present action is the beginning of a grand Axis offensive it was expected here that Axis invasion troops concentrated in Crete, Greece and the Dodecanese Islands may be used for a flank attack on Alexandria and Cairo by sea and air.

Both German and Italian communiques said the British forces were pushed back in the new surge of desert fighting.

## Dnieper River Line Is Broken

LONDON — (P)—Soviet forces have smashed across the upper Dnieper river in a furious final drive to pinch off the Vysma, Ghatsk, Rzhev bulge toward Moscow. Soviet dispatches relayed by Stockholm said Wednesday.

This crossing between Dorogobuzh and Dubrovo was a striking achievement the dispatch said since the Germans established vast fortifications along the river.

The Red army appeared intent upon utilizing brief remaining period before the spring thaw to crush the Nazi armies within the central front and to prepare to meet later the German offensive from the direction of Smolensk which is 50 miles west of the point where the Dnieper was reported crossed.

The council agreed to purchase tear gas equipment for the local police department.

An ordinance was passed placing all previous ordinances outlining duties of the city attorney into one section.

## Kent Brown Principal Kiwanis Club Speaker

Kent Brown, district manager for the local highway office, was guest speaker at the regular Tuesday noon meeting of the Hope Kiwanis Club at Hotel Henry.

Mr. Brown discussed work and cost of keeping up highways in the state.

Now there can be only one decision.

Responsible leaders in the Catholic church, both clergy and laity, have denounced "Social Justice" so many times it is hardly necessary to point out that what is written here can in no way be considered a reflection on that great religious institution.

A New York newspaper sent me to five large cities the other day to find out what people who buy "Social Justice" are thinking and these and many more quotes from the visitors:

"Roosevelt is insane, just like Hitler says."

"I'm ready to rip the Jews' guts out."

"That bunch of hoodlums in Washington ain't running this thing right."

"I know fellows in the Army and they're growing too. They know this gang in Washington is up to no good."

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Many readers are workers in war plants. Many are sending "Social Justice" to men in the armed forces.

"Social Justice" carried the front-

## Women Must Do Without Frills on New Clothes

WASHINGTON — (P)—The War Production Board turning stern stylist for American women decreed Wednesday that for the duration of the war dresses can be shorter and shorter, or tighter and tighter—as fashion dictates—but neither longer nor fuller than those now worn.

Or mildy's wardrobe can remain about the same in cut and design as it is at the present.

Emphasizing that it had not intentions of freezing present styles or rendering present wardrobes obsolete the WPB established a complete list of specifications and requirements and ordered such styles as French cuffs on the sleeves, balloon sleeves and patch pockets of wool and etc. eliminated entirely.

After August 17 the retailer may not sell suits and coat ensembles at more than two pieces at one unit price.

The rest is effective for wool clothing Thursday and in time to effect production of most clothes to be sold next winter.

Restriction on cotton, rayon and others will be effective June 10 after most of this summer's clothes are finished.

## Emmet Forms First Aid Class

Climaxing formation of a first aid club at Emmet the group held a picnic at the Emmet Park Tuesday night and elected officers for the organization.

Those elected were: president, David L. Williams; vice president, Sam A. Rowe; secretary-treasurer, John A. Hudson; entertainment committee, Darwin Deason, Cecil Prescott and Watson Wells; defense activities, Billy J. Arnett, Ralph Calhoun and Kenneth Calhoun.

The organization decided to purchase a lot and construct a cabin for the first aid headquarters; to sponsor a series of first air classes, standard and advance. The classes will be open to the public.

The group will hold another picnic Wednesday night, April 15 and will meet on Tuesday nights of each week for business discussions.

The organization is under the direction of J. Ellis Dougan, first aid instructor for the American Red Cross.

## City Buys New Fire Truck

LITTLE ROCK — (P)—Flood warnings for the White Bluff, Petit Jean and Ouachita rivers were issued Wednesday by the Little Rock weather bureau following rains which for 30 hours ending at 7:30 a. m. totaled 4.03 inches at Little Rock.

Sharp rises were forecast for the Arkansas but Meteorologist W. C. Hickman said it was not expected to reach flood stage unless the rains were general.

The plan was to be put over to party leaders and the committee continued in session.

## Killed in Accident at Camden Paper Plant

CAMDEN — (P)—Jewell Bearden, 25 employee of the Southern Kraft Mill here was killed Wednesday when his head was caught between paper rolls. A resident of nearby Cullendale, he is survived by his widow and parents.

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## Kelly Elected Mayor of Stamps Tuesday

By Special Correspondent

STAMPS — Donald Kelly, young attorney, was elected mayor over his nearest opponent, Dr. D. C. Nichols, incumbent, in Tuesday's election. E. G. Galloway was re-elected city marshal by eight votes over his only opponent. Alderman elected were: J. E. Long, Sam Earle, Tom Elledge, W. R. Knight, R. T. Baulware and George F. Baker.

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## You Don't Say No to a Sergeant

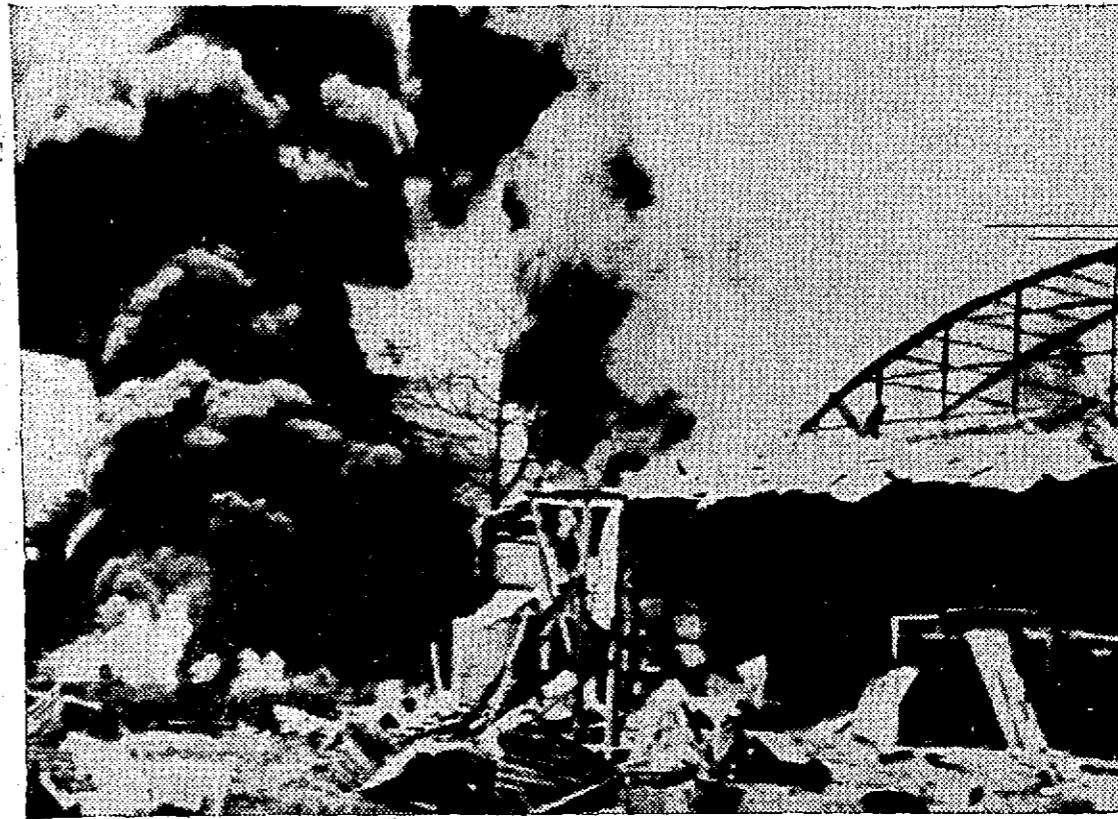
FORT GEORGE G. MEADE, Md.— (P)—There wasn't a seat left in Constitution Hall in Washington for a concert of the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra, but the usher told Sergeant H. Althen to "stick around a minute."

A moment later Mrs. A. A. Berle, Jr., wife of the assistant secretary of state, appeared, told the usher her husband had been detained, and asked if anyone wanted the vacant seat in the box.

Sergeant Althen did and Mrs. Berle pointed out to him all the notables during intermission.

While most people recognize the call of the whipper-snapper, few see the bird as it rarely flies in daytime.

## Smoke Billows as Japs Strike Salamaua



NEA Service Telephone

The hunger of the Guinea Airways at Salamaua, New Guinea, blazes furiously during recent Japanese attacks. This is one of the first pictures to reach this country from New Guinea since the Jap thrust southward into Australian waters. Picture passed by censors.

The communiqué also confirmed that seven American army heavy bombers carried out a successful raid April 3 on the harbor of Rangoon, Burma, damaging docks and port facilities and starting three large fires.

## Defenders Are Forced to Take New Positions

WASHINGTON — (P)—General withdrawal Orderly. Officials said there was no immediate indication of the extent of the withdrawal but apparently it was accomplished in orderly fashion.

The Japanese with greater superior forces numerically hammered constantly at the line since Saturday, supported by tanks, heavy artillery fire and aerial bombardment and strafing of the defending troops.

**Break Expected.** A breakthrough in the line has been expected by officials here since the major assault started five days ago and apparently General Wainwright had prepared a new line before the concentrated assault of the enemy could convert the break into a disastrous rout.

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**Brevins Senior Play on Friday.** "What Wright Left," a famous comedy, will be presented by the senior class of Brevins, April 10, at 8:45 in the Brevins gymnasium. Admission will be 20c and 30c tax included.

This play with its select cast, is under the sponsorship of Miss Agatha Bullard.

E. C. Vander Stratton and his orchestra of Dierks High School will entertain between acts. Mr. Vander Stratton has formerly directed a college orchestra.

This is a play with a thousand laughs a hundred heart throbs, sprinkled liberally with mystery. Don't miss "What Wright Left."

## Waste Brings Much Criticism

By JACK STINNETT

WASHINGTON — A cheer for the American University's public relations department and Prof. W. D. Boutwell. They have placed on the President's desk a rippling ten-point indictment of the writing in government communications. It is the result of five years of study by the department under direction of Boutwell and B. P. Brodinsky.

The worst fault of all, says the report, is that sentences in

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**Political Announcements**

The Star is authorized to announce the following as candidates subject to the action of the Hempstead County Democratic primary election:

**Sheriff & Collector**  
FRANK J. HILL  
CLARENCE E. BAKER

**County & Probate Clerk**  
LEO RAY

**Tax Assessor**  
JOHN RIDGIDILL

**Representative (No. 1)**  
WILLIAM H. (BILL) ETTER

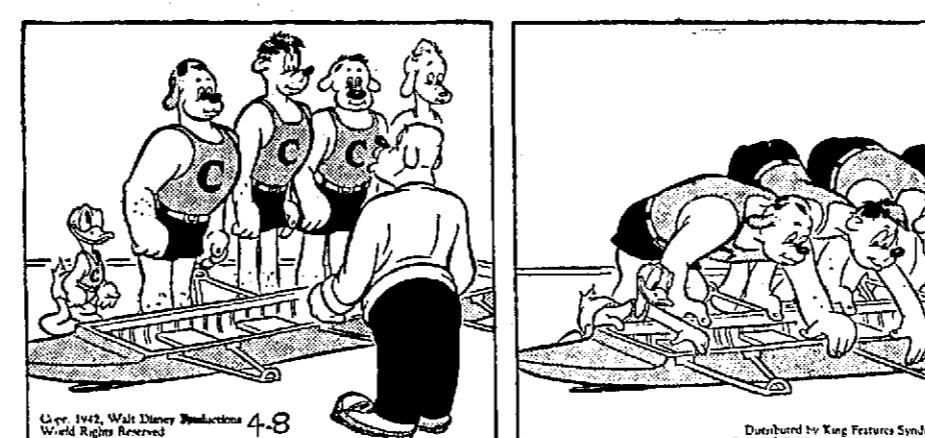
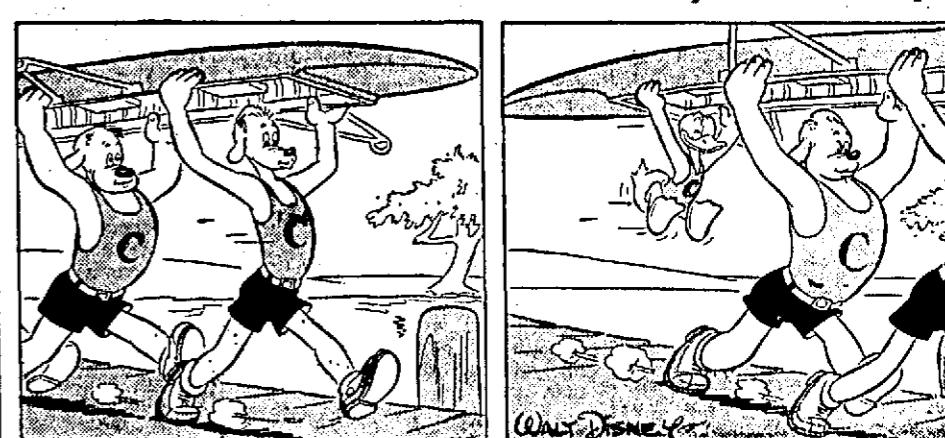
**Representative (No. 2)**  
EMORY A. THOMPSON

**WASH TUBBS****What Goes?**

By Roy Crane

**POPEYE****False Alarm!**

By Roy Crane

**DONALD DUCK****The Shell Game**

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Chicago divorcees are equaling the number of marriages. Love is evidently finding a way-out!

About all that comes to him who waits is a request to move on.

The Matanuska agricultural colony of Alaska has a growing season of about 115 frost-free days per year.

**Legal Notice**

HOPE, ARKANSAS  
CURB & GUTTER DISTRICT NO. 5  
STREET IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT  
NO. 9

**SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS**

The tax books for the collection of the special assessment on the real property in the above Districts have been placed in my hands. All owners of property lying within either of said Districts are required by law to pay the assessment to me within thirty (30) days from this date. If such payment is not paid, action will be commenced at the end of that time for the collection of said assessment, and the legal penalties and costs.

GIVEN Under my hand this 8th day of April, 1942.

MISS ELSIE WEISENBERGER,  
Collector

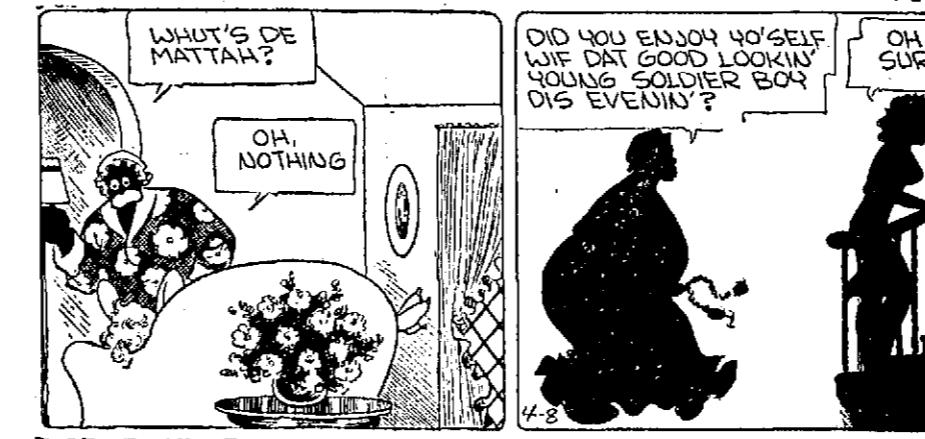
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**BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES****Tsk! Tsk!**

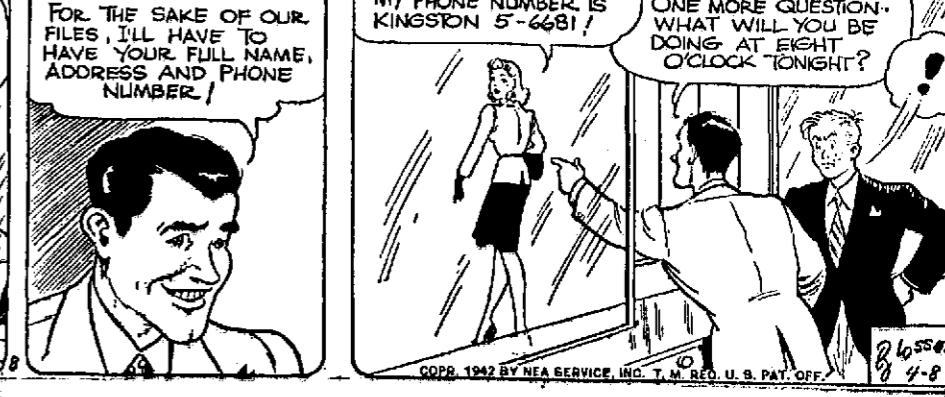
By Edgar Martin

**RED RYDER****The Spoiler**

By V. T. Hamlin

**ALLEY OOP****Help! Help!**

By Fred Harman

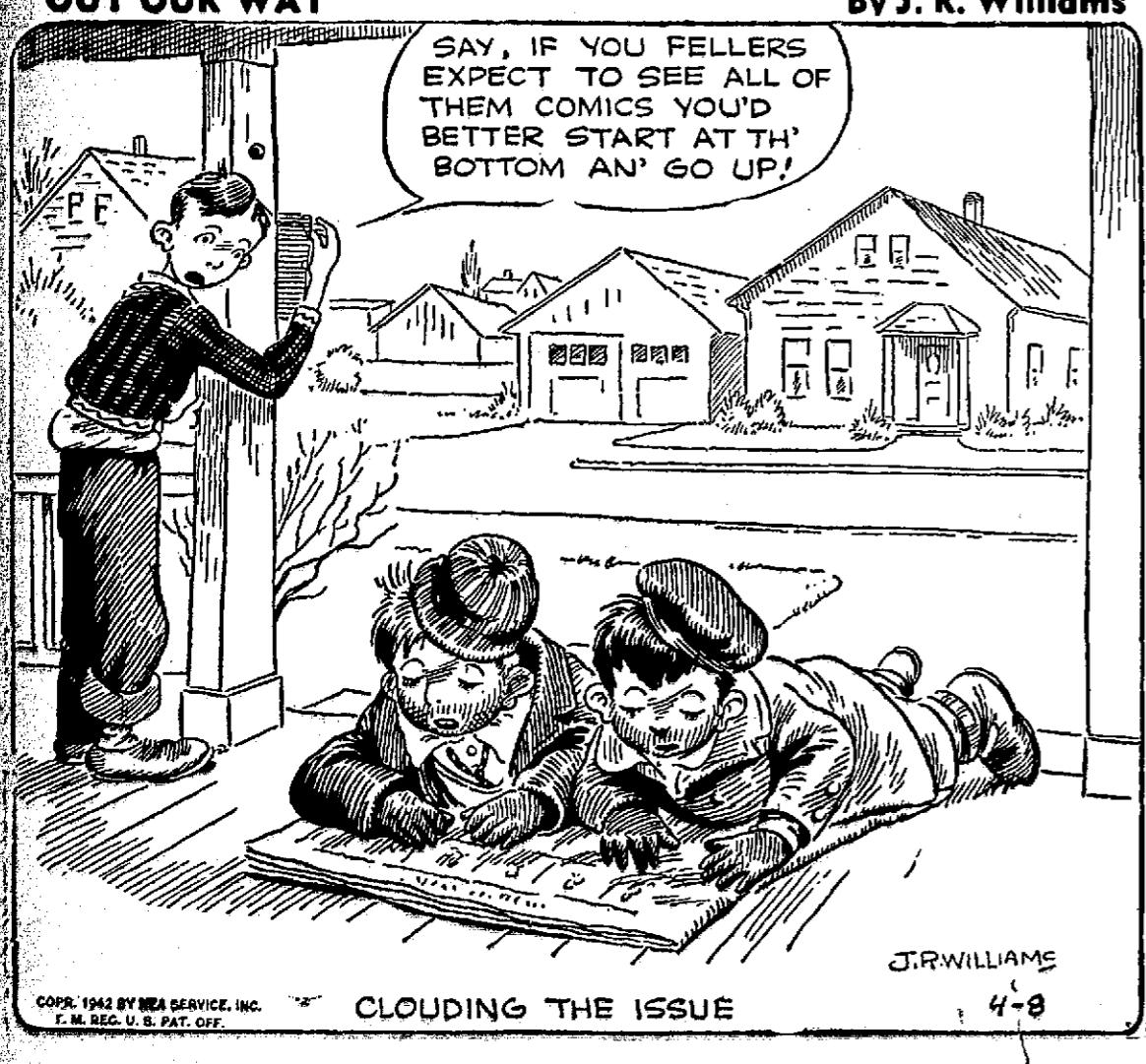
**FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS****Strictly Unbusinesslike**

By Merrill Blosser

**OUT OUR WAY**

By J. R. Williams

SAY, IF YOU FELLERS EXPECT TO SEE ALL OF THEM COMICS YOU'D BETTER START AT THE BOTTOM AN' GO UP!



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# SOCIETY

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## Social Calendar

Wednesday, April 8th  
The John Cain chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet at the home of Mrs. Robert LaGrone, 3 o'clock with Mrs. Gus Haynes in charge of the program.

The Mary Lester Sunday class of the First Methodist church will meet at the church recreational room for an informal supper, 6:45 o'clock.

The Jett B. Graves Sunday School class of the First Methodist church will have the monthly social meeting at the home of Mrs. O. A. Graves, 8 o'clock.

At 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon Brookwood P. T. A. members will meet at the school to hear a program on "Landscaping" by George Ware.

Thursday, April 9th  
Mrs. Henry Haynes will speak on "Arkansas Folklore" at the April meeting of the Junior-Senior P. T. A. at the high school,

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## We, the Women

Hoarding Is Husband's Fault, Too

By RUTH MILLETT

On Saturday night Mr. and Mrs. America go down to the grocery store that has advertised the best specials for the week and lay in a supply of groceries.

That's the way the marketing is usually done in the homes of those who have to watch their pennies. And in most homes where Mrs. America does the marketing over the telephone, Mr. America would be consulted before Mrs. America did anything drastic like filling the basement with sugar and canned goods.

And yet for all that, it's Mrs. America who is being blamed for all the hoarding that is going on. Every time hoarding is mentioned the word "housewife" is, too.

That isn't quite fair, since it is a safe bet that in nine cases out of ten a husband and wife together decided that the smart thing to do would be to lay in a supply of this or that commodity that looked as if it might be pretty scarce in no time at all. So let's blame the husband, too.

Can't you just hear the breakfast or dinner table conversations that led up to most of the family hoarding that has been done?

Husband Suggests Storing Up  
Mr. America, reading his newspaper, said, "Looks like sugar is going to be pretty scarce before long. It might even be rationed."

And Mrs. America, at the moment more practical than patriotic, commented, "I wish I had a hundred pounds or so stored away."

Then Mr. America, who loves to buy things in quantity lots anyway, said magnificently, "Why don't you

knit?" Among the many interesting articles to be made are men's sleeveless sweaters, wristlets, helmets, and mufflers. Mrs. O'Dwyer will be glad to assist anyone desiring to receive instructions and yarn at her home 504 North Elm street, all day Friday, or any other day by appointment.

For knitting socks, a 3-needle is required but 5-needles are used for all other articles.

Twenty-Two Members at Circle 1 W. S. C. S. Meeting

Mrs. C. D. Lauterback, Mrs. Claud Waddle, and Mrs. Charles Bryant were hostesses to members of Circle 1 of the Women's Society of Christian Service which met at the home of the former Monday afternoon.

Mrs. E. P. Stewart gave the devotional at the opening of the meeting, and Mrs. L. W. Young presented the program. Assisting were Mrs. Dale Wilson, Mrs. Don Smith, Mrs. George Ware, Mrs. John Ridgehill, Mrs. George Mechem, and Mrs. J. W. Stielchand.

During the social hour a delicious salad plate was served with tea to the 22 members attending.

Alma Kyler Circle Meets Monday Afternoon

On Monday afternoon members of the Alma Kyler circle, Mrs. Royce Weisenberger and Mrs. Rob Jones, leaders met at the home of Mrs. Hinman Davis.

Eleven members responded to the

4 o'clock. Members desiring transportation are asked to call 587-W or 346.

Azalea Garden club members will meet at the home of Mrs. Oliver Adams, 9:30 o'clock.

Friday, April 10th  
The Service Prayer group will meet in the Educational building of the First Baptist church, 3 o'clock. Mrs. Alice McMuth will bring the devotional message. Any one interested is invited to attend these prayer services.

Mrs. Roy Stephenson Gives Defense Stamps at Club Party

Two tables were arranged for the players at the home of Mrs. Roy Stephenson Tuesday afternoon when she was hostess to members of the Tuesday Contract bridge club.

For the party the rooms were tastefully decorated with arrangements of unusual spring flowers. For making high score, Mrs. R. L. Broach was presented with Defense Stamps. The only guest, Mrs. Joe Black, also received a gift.

After the games the hostess served a delectable salad course with coffee.

Men For Garments for Service  
Men Is Now Available

Olive-colored yarn to be knitted into garments for service men has been received by the local Red Cross chairman Mrs. Bernad O'Dwyer, who is today issuing another appeal for knitters.

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Mrs. E. P. Stewart gave the devotional at the opening of the meeting, and Mrs. L. W. Young presented the program. Assisting were Mrs. Dale Wilson, Mrs. Don Smith, Mrs. George Ware, Mrs. John Ridgehill, Mrs. George Mechem, and Mrs. J. W. Stielchand.

During the social hour a delicious salad plate was served with tea to the 22 members attending.

Alma Kyler Circle Meets Monday Afternoon

On Monday afternoon members of the Alma Kyler circle, Mrs. Royce Weisenberger and Mrs. Rob Jones, leaders met at the home of Mrs. Hinman Davis.

Eleven members responded to the

## MEXICAN MASQUERADE

By CECIL CARNES

### NIGHT SWIM

#### CHAPTER XIII

THREE days went by like magic.

Allan accustomed himself to the ways of this strange island jail whose invisible bars were more effective barriers to escape than any iron grill. The guards kept to themselves on the Peninsula side of the island, but they were always there. And a fellow could always spot an ugly triangular fin cutting the water of the Gulf if he cared to look.

Except for the fate which hung over his head, Allan would have had no fault to find with his lot.

De Fontanelle was amusing in a talkative way, though sometimes Allan caught him off-guard when his face was drawn and morose. A man with a secret? wondered the American, but could find no answer. Kay Sargent was perfectly charming, even if her pert little nose went up at any mention of Asia; in three days under such circumstances as these, he got to know her better than in as many months under normal conditions.

She worried a lot, especially when she found him breaking off a conversation to stare speculatively at the door set in the rock of the neighboring island. He had said nothing to the Frenchman of his notion, seeing no point in unnecessary confidences, but he had told Kay.

"Allan, you mustn't dream of such a thing!" she protested almost tearfully. "If you won't think of yourself, think of leaving me here alone—just when you've brought me new hope! Those sharks!"

"Listen, dear girl, I've had time to figure out something." This was the afternoon of the third day and they were seated on the dock, waiting for Dr. Sargent to be exhibited at six. "If it was true about those sharks being such good watchdogs, they wouldn't bother to keep an armed guard over us. I don't believe sharks bite people, anyway, not if the people are alive and moving. The rest is a cinch. The nights now are black as pitch, and there's always some sort of a light over there to guide me. I'll slip off this dock tonight, say about 12."

"Tonight! No, Allan—no, no!"

"Kay, dear, I must. I've got to see your father and talk with him. That key left outside is too good a chance to miss. That's sort of typical of those—those yellow devils, don't you think? Once a Jap figures he gets careless. I—" "No, Allan! You mustn't risk it!"

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BUT he did. That very night, with Kay whispering frantic

## HOPE STAR, HOPE, ARKANSAS

## CAP Is Doing a Fine Job

WASHINGTON—Some departments of civilian defense may be lagging badly but not the Civil Air Patrol.

Nearly one-third of all certified civilian pilots in the country either now are members or have applied for enrollment in the CAP. A recent check-up showed that 33,000 applications have been received in Washington and that 29,000 of these have been cleared and sent back to the wing commanders with the notation that the pilots are acceptable for membership.

Many activities of the CAP are as secret as Army or Navy flights and can not be reported, but some of them can. The Illinois wing, for example, is conducting a 1942-model treasure hunt—flying the state at low altitudes in search of scrap metal represented in the graveyards of abandoned cars and farm machinery.

With each flight and squadron detailed to a section of the state and minute records made of every discovery, the Illinois wing soon will be able to lay before the War Department a blanket map of the state's scrap heaps. This activity already has caused interest from other state wings and the CAP says it may be a nationwide activity before many months.

Up in Maine, the CAP wing participated in a mock air raid that brought to light many of the critical weaknesses in the Portland air raid defenses—weaknesses that might never have been discovered by ordinary air raid defense tests.

Every now and then evidence pops up that some bright young man (or woman) is doing a little constructive thinking in conserving strategic materials inside the government as well as out. For example, worrying about the rubber and steel shortages, some one in the defense housing set-up (just who, nobody seems to know) remembered that the government was renting 500 trailers to defense workers at New River and Wilmington. Since they were being used as more or less permanent homes—the trailers didn't need their tires, wheels, hub caps, etc. The undercarriages were removed and shipped back to the manufacturers for use on new trailers being rushed into the many gaps in defense housing. The savings are so considerable that it may become a practice to use these undercarriages from semi-permanent trailer towns over and over.

In many sections of the country, they are conducting "pick-up-a-neighbor" drives as a means of combating the shortages of rubber, gasoline and cars. And the Army says if the boys are

bay a couple of hundred pounds? There is plenty of room for it down in the basement."

But now it's Mrs. America who is being blamed for that hoarded sugar. She's guilty, there is no doubt about it, but no more guilty than her husband who thought it was a good idea to lay in a big supply of sugar and handed over the money to pay for it.

There was not much current between the islands, and what little there was, favored his progress. He swam low in the water, making as little noise as possible and trying hard not to think of sharks—but not forgetting to keep every limb in continuous motion!

Five minutes later, hardly able to believe his good luck, he crept up on the sloping shore of the main island. Here everything was dark and still, though a hundred yards beyond, the cannery buildings hummed with activity. He had studied the set-up so carefully for 72 hours that he literally knew his way in the dark, and his questing hand came readily to rest on the key in the lock of a heavy iron door. He was surprised at the massive affair, which reminded him of the ones he had heard clangling while blinded-folded. What was the big idea?

He turned the well-oiled key, drew the metal door open, and left it ajar behind him in case he should leave in a hurry. Fortunately, he was in trouble. He had not realized he would be in a passage darker than Satan's shadow. gingerly inching his way, step by careful step lest he plunge down some unseen stairs, he crept onward until his outstretched fingers touched a barrier. A grill door. Iron. Locked. And this time there was no convenient key.

He listened. The sounds of light breathing traveled to his ear. Slow, regular breaths like those of a person asleep. He shook the door gently. "Dr. Sargent!" Dr. Sargent? he called softly.

"Made you!" Allan's tone was shocked. "Tortured you?"

"No. They threatened to torture Kay! Th—that broke me. I gave in, only insisting I be allowed to see her every day so I'd know she was safe. I've no illusions, though. They'll kill me—both of us—when they're through with me, which will be very soon now. But I had to stall for time—hoping something might happen."

"Sure. They've been shipping the stuff to Japan?"

"No. None has gone yet. The cannery is a blind, but a practical one. Ships that have left here were loaded with canned fish. But the center of this island is a natural cave and the explosive they have manufactured is stored there—hundreds of tons of it!"

"Cripes! Is it under control? What touches it off?"

"Any concussion. That's why we live underground, in converted caves with heavy iron doors. It's tricky to handle. Somebody stole one brick of it the day before I came, and everybody had the jitters. But nothing has happened. Maybe the count was incorrect."

"Why do they store it instead of sending it home?"

"They're waiting till they have a full ship's cargo, when they hope to sneak it out. To send a lot of small shipments would increase the chance of detection by the Mexican authorities. Also, the Japs are building a seaplane station here and it would be handy to have lots of the explosive available if they should get in a scrap with us. They would strike fast—they always do—and they'd blow our west coast cities and military bases off the map in a single night."

"Mmph. You paint pretty pictures, sir! And speaking of pretty pictures, what do you know about a woman who travels with this crowd? Her name is Asia—Asia Minor."

(To Be Continued)

## Face Saver



## Terrain No Barrier to Army Railmen

CAMP CLAIBORNE, La. —(P)—When the United States army invades in this war, soldiers will be ready to build railroads in a hurry.

The 711th Engineers Battalion, railway operating, is nearing completion of a 45-mile railroad line between this camp and Camp Polk, home of armored troops.

The road is being constructed over a rough terrain, hills and crosses several streams including the Calcasieu river.

Army officials explained that the route taken for the railroad was picked in accordance with actual

## U.S. Revamps Filing System

By JACK STINNETT  
WASHINGTON—One thing that this war is doing to national government is to revamp its filing system. On the surface, this may seem insignificant, but in the long run it will represent savings of hundreds of millions of dollars.

Under the new system, practically every record that possibly can will be micro-filmed.

When the war broke out, the only agency which was using this method (to any extent) of reducing valuable records to miniature photographs on a reel of film was National Archives. What they had accomplished in the way of reducing tons of paper records to compact rolls of film set space-cramped and record deluged officials in defense and war agencies thinking.

Besides, the British government, during the months of blitz on London, had discovered that micro-filming was the simplest way to safeguard records.

Some idea of the effectiveness of this may be gathered from the recent survey of the Army alone. In various scattered places, the Army has about 180,000,000 inactive records, requiring more than 12,000 standard-sized four-drawer cabinets. This doesn't include all the tons of contemporary records piling up under the present war effort.

By micro-photographing, those same inactive records can be contained in 50 cabinets of the same size. Moving 50 cabinets of non-inflammable material (the micro-film) is out of an area threatened by fire is not an impossible task. Moving 12,000 cabinets would take days.

In addition, the micro-film is not subject to deterioration and any number of new prints can be made from it from time to time, eliminating the likelihood of loss. The film is also immune to mice and paper-eating insects.

What interests wartime government officials most, however, is the prospective saving in office space and in waste paper. Nobody has been able to estimate yet the millions of square feet in government buildings devoted to files and records alone, but several building experts have said that the federal office space problem would be solved tomorrow if we could, by that time, reduce all records to microfilm. As for waste-paper, it already is Washington's greatest by-product.

More if it is shipped out of Washington than out of any other city in the land. But the amount probably could be doubled if there were no necessity for keeping paper records.

It is interesting to note that in the survey of record filing made by the Army, it was reported that NOT more than 20 per cent of all records filed were ever used again. Most of these are brought to light because of some litigation where contractual or personal records are required in court. But since it isn't possible to tell whether a file is going to fall in a 20 per cent or the 80, the total 100 must be kept intact.

## Wants to Catch Up With Old Ones First

JACKSON, Miss.—(AP)—There has been a lot of agitation to shorten the biennial session of the Mississippi legislature and an example in brevity was set recently for one of the solons by a constituent.

As the session rolled on with some 300 bills introduced, Rep. Mike Durr of Pindell received the following note from one of his supporters:

"Dear Sir, Will you please let the law stay as it is?"

Graftage is an ancient art, known to horticulturists at least two centuries B. C.

## Hits \$-Year Men



Robert Guthrie, former dollar-a-year chief of WPA's clothing and leather section, hands a House military affairs sub-committee his reasons for resignation. He charges many dollar-a-year men impeded industry conversion by mixing business connections with government obligations.

## Which War You Talking About?

By CHARLES L. FONTEYAN  
Wide World Features

HENDERSONVILLE, Tenn.—They never heard of Hitler and they think Mussolini is just another "furriner" . . . they don't have any mail-boxes because they never get any mail . . . And not a single member of any of the families has ever seen the inside of a school-room.

"They" are the Adams families — "the cave people," Sumner Countians call them, although they do not live in caves any more—who live in the Tennessee Hills about 10 miles north of here.

There are six or eight families, whose members range from two to nearly 70, living in rude log huts about a mile and a half from the nearest country road. One or two of them have been to Nashville, and a few of them have occasionally visited Hendersonville and nearby Gallatin and Goodlettsville, but some of the youngsters have never been outside their little colony.

With crude implements and a range horse, the only work animal in the colony, they eke out a living by cultivating small patches of corn and potatoes. They occasionally tour the back roads selling shoe strings they make from gourding skins.

"Old Tom" Adams is probably the oldest member of the colony, but he doesn't know how old he is.

"I just can't say exactly," he said. "I misplaced my papers somewhere, but I reckon I must be between 66 and 68."

"What do you think about Hitler?" Old Tom was asked.

He looked sharply from face to face, then replied tentatively, "Well, I don't rightly know. What do you think about him?"

"Oh, he's doing all right," was the answer, with a view to testing Tom's knowledge. "He's probably exactly right about everything, don't you reckon?"

"Wal, he might be," was Tom's careful retort. "But if he ain't right, he orta be!"

According to B. E. Westgate, Sumner County farmer and fox-hunter, and County Health Officer W. M. Deadman, the Adamses wandered down into the county a decade ago from "some place in the Upper Cum-

## Government in House Trailers

By JACK STINNETT  
WASHINGTON—The Capital in wartime:

I never thought I would see the day when your government and mine would be doing its business in trailers, but it's here and the first agency to set up shop in the highway caboose is, of all things, the recently formed National Housing Agency.

When the NHA was set up, it took over the old Tuckerman mansion at Sixteenth and I streets, not far from the White House. As the NHA really got under way, it overflowed into the stables, where the stenographic force was located. This isn't the first instance where a government agency has been housed in a stable. The Weather Bureau has had a part of its force installed in stables for years.

But even the stables wouldn't hold the NHA and in desperation they borrowed (try to get 'em back) two trailers from the Farm Security adminis-

tration. In each of the two trailers are six clerks. Their desks fill the space of former bunks. They file their records in the trailer linen and china closets. Their supplies are kept in the ice box and pan shelves under the sink.

The clerks who work there say: "It is fun," "it's real cozy," "it's okay by me"; "The boys on Bateman would probably call it Rockefeller Center, why should I kick"; and "This is a lot greener pasture than the stables or that old mansion's basement."

Another ancient landmark to house a Washington war effort is historic Dumbarton house in Georgetown. The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America, whose pride it has been for some years, has just turned it over to the district chapter of the Red Cross for the duration.

Dumbarton is thought to be the oldest mansion in Georgetown and that makes it about as ancient as the country has to offer. It was built around 1750 by a Scotsman, named George Beall. At one time, it was owned by Charles Carroll, one of the signers of the Declaration. And Dolly Madison took refuge there in 1812 after the British had sacked Washington and burned the White House.

The District Red Cross will have its headquarters there as long as the war lasts and write one more chapter into the history of one of the nation's most famous old edifices.

Only members of the younger generation ever thought of the juke box as anything but a nuisance until the WPA came along and announced that the entire industry (about 30 companies) would convert to war work May 1.

It turned out that one of the big juke boxes contains enough brass to make 750 cartridge cases; enough steel to make five light machine guns; and that in 125 there would be enough aluminum to make a fighter plane.

What the anti-juke addicts in Washington are asking now is why wait until the first of May?

## District 10 Literary, Track Meet Cancelled

TEXARKANA—(AP)—Principal W. M. Locke of Texarkana high school announced Wednesday that the district 10 music festival, track, and field meet scheduled here Friday and Saturday was cancelled because of war conditions.

## Waste Brings

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Government Reports; the NYA, the CCC; and congressional pensions, to mention just a few.

Important enough to be included in the Congressional Record, with demands from their recipients that the Truman committee investigate, are such letters as (1) From a big defense contract holder in Connecticut that he is receiving so many questionnaires from sundry defense and government agencies that it takes 50 per cent of his time to answer them; (2) From a well known columnist that near Tucson, Ariz., millions of board feet of scrap lumber, owned by the government, had been burned up on government agents' orders while hundreds of citizens nearby scoured the countryside for mesquite and other brush to combat their shortage of fuel and keep them from freezing to death.

It has been a long time since this country was aroused to such a consistent fit of writing its Congressman. That fact and the nearness of election has a lot of them jumping when the postman only rings once.

## War Reports

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Communication are bogged down in verbiage the people are not only confused but begin to lose touch with their government."

To which the President probably said: "And how," for it was the President himself in a press conference the other day who edited an obscure polysyllabic letter of blackout instructions from OCD Director James M. Landis. It included such phrases as "terminate the illumination."

The President explained that Dean Landis' Harvardese really meant turn out the lights.

berland country."

The land they settled on was "open land" (with no owner) when they first came and recently there was a movement to force them to move—but the "cave people" had remained in peaceful possession of the land for the legal seven-year period, thus attaining squatter's rights. Despite their ignorance of other worldly customs, the Adamses knew their squatter's rights and so they still have their land.

And, though they live within 30 miles of Tennessee's capital city, which recently was partially blacked out in an air-raid alert, the Adamses don't know there's a war on.

## OUR BOARDING HOUSE

ALAS! THE THOUGHT OF RETURNING TO GUARD DUTY AT THE PROPELLER FACTORY NAUSEATES ME! TO BE THE BUTT OF A SCORE OF COARSE JIBES FOR SHOOTING AT A MAIL PLANE!

Egid, that old crutch gives me an inspiration! I'll limp into the house, pretending to have a sudden painful attack of gout!

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cent more hay per acre. Experiences of farmers, as well as tests conducted by the University of Arkansas College of Agriculture, show that Sericea lespedeza is equal in feeding value to Korean and Kobe hay of the same

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seed plot, using 2 to 3 pounds of scarified seed per acre in 3-foot rows. The plot should be cultivated to control weeds.

After the seedbed is prepared the seed may be broadcast or drilled in, using about 35 pounds of scarified seed per acre. The seed may be left uncovered. Poor results are usually obtained where unscarified seed are used or where the seed are covered deep. April plantings are recommended.

Cutting the lespedeza, other than clipping the weeds in early June, should be avoided the first year. After the first year two cuttings a year may be made.

Like other lespedeza Sericea should be fertilized with 200 to 300 pounds of 20 per cent superphosphate per acre, which may be worked into the soil before planting or applied broadcast after the crop has come up.

Farmers who want to start with home-grown seed may plant a small

## 2 Negroes Arrested on Liquor Charge

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## Service Seed Has Place as a Hay Crop

That Sericea lespedeza has a definite place as a hay crop in Hempstead county is shown by the increase in interest of producers of this crop in Hempstead county during the past few years, reports Oliver L. Adams, county agent.

Not only is Sericea lespedeza more drought-resistant than annual lespedeza, but a good stand of Sericea lespedeza often produces 50 to 100 per

baled that our country might stay free.

The defeatism and racial poison of "Social Justice" today amount to sedition. Every issue is an insult to America, to the press, to religion—and to you.

The call is for action. That means action against the enemy. And the enemy includes "Social Justice," for that publication is doing the enemy's work.

Would the Up Government Travelers

He took a number of potshots at the Office of Civilian Defense. He began firing at the National Youth Administration and the Civilian Conservation Corps and he introduced a bill which would in effect abolish them both by transferring their useful functions to other existing government agencies.

He started scrutinizing travel expenses of all federal organizations and he came up with the amazing revelation that the travel expenses of the government today, while only a small part of the grand total of all present expenditures, are a sixth of what the total cost of government was when McCallar came to congress in 191.

McCallar's gunning apparently has just begun. His bill to abolish NYA and CCC probably won't get any place, he publicly admits. But before the hunting season is over, the Memphis sharpshooter will probably blast out of the federal budget the equal cost of a couple Douglas Dams. And, boy, is he aying for Dave Lilienthal! Kill his pet bills, will he!

Whets His Knife

Ever since then, the Hon. Kenneth McCallar, bachelor, senior senator from Tennessee, has emerged as one of the greatest advocates of government economy in the Congress, and maybe there's a reason.

"Social Justice" recommended insurrection to men in the Army and Navy, saying "Some day when our soldier boys return they will drag from their hiding places the connivers, deceivers, plotters and collaborators to mete out to them their just rewards. The longer we wait for that day, the severer will be the repercussions."

"Social Justice" called Democracy a mockery with these words, "Democracy! A mockery that mouths the word and obstructs every effort of an honest people to establish a government for the welfare of the people."

That game was carried in 1938 under Coughlin's signature.

"Social Justice" printed these lies: that the Nazis are the victims of a "sacred war declared against Germany nine years ago by the Jews"; that Japan aggression "is nothing more than an expansion of our own Monroe doctrine"; that the idea of a United Nations offensive is "Moscow-born and will produce a defeat abroad and the liquidation of Americanism at home."

The editors of "Social Justice" spit in the face of President Roosevelt, of MacArthur and his men, Lincoln, Washington—and every man and woman through our history who has

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